

# NEW JERSEY WOMEN OF ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

## Nomination Form

Please complete & return this form to:  
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### NOMINEE:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MARIA VIZCARRONDO \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (HOME) \_\_\_\_\_

Please give us an explanation of why you feel the above nominee should be honored. Include any personal/professional accomplishments, challenges faced, demonstration of responsibility/influence, courage, humanistic contributions, philanthropic activities, community involvement, volunteer work, professional commitment, notable success and honors or any other qualities and achievements. Additional supportive material (up to 5 pages) may be submitted but is not required.

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### NOMINATOR: (You)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MARGARITA ECHEVARRIA, ESQ. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Recently elected Essex County Surrogate by over 86,000 votes, Maria Vizcarrondo is my nominee for the personal and professional leadership she exemplifies as a community activist and leader.

On January 2, 1994 she will be the first Hispanic and woman to hold the office of Surrogate in Essex County.

As a member of the Florio Administration, specifically as Director of the Hispanic Office for Policy, Research and Development she expertly handled the routine requirements of the office but in addition exemplified her leadership qualities by delivering to the administration a highly praised research report based on a survey of New Jersey's Hispanic population. The survey report centered on the Hispanic community's need for greater political, economic and social access.

Maria is also a founding member of the Hispanic's Women's Task Force, which she continues to serve as a board member. She is also a former director of Aspira, Inc. of New Jersey which under her directorship expanded its services to central and South Jersey. She is well known as a mentor to many young hispanic women including her own daughters, Lisa, a Yale graduate and second year UMDNJ medical student and Amaris, a high school student.